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# The Beam Envelope Equation and Practical Applications

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# Today, I will try to answer some questions that you might have about the beam envelope equation;

- What is it?
- How is it derived?
- What are its advantages?
- What are its limitations?
- How can it be applied to practical problems?
- How well does it agree with experiments?



#### What is it?

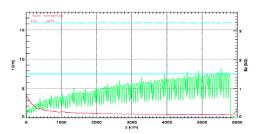
- There are many beam properties of interest.
  - Size, position, motion, energy, momentum, emittance,...
  - All are of practical interest for radiographic spot size, as well as practical concerns such as beam spill and associated backgrounds.
  - Computer codes have significantly contributed to our understanding.
- There are many theoretical ways of addressing these properties.
  - Matrix optics to track the beam through discrete elements like magnets;
    - Codes: TRANSPORT, TRACE-3D, REVMOC, ...
  - Particle tracking through distributed fields;
    - Codes: Egun, Trak, GPT, ...
  - Particle in cell (PIC) codes that explicitly calculate all forces on electrons
    - Codes: MAGIC, LSP, WARP, VORPAL, ...
  - Envelope equations that calculate average forces on electrons
    - Codes: Scrape, XTR, LAMDA, ...
- The envelope equation explicitly addresses the evolution of the beam size as it is transported through the accelerator and to the bremsstrahlung target to produce the radiographic source spot.



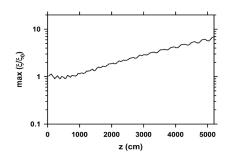
We use many of these methods to better understand beam dynamics in the DARHT accelerators, and also to predict the performance of advanced accelerators.

- Beam Production
  - Tricomp Trak orbit tracking code
  - LSP Particle-in-cell (PIC) code
- Accelerated-Beam Transport through the LIA
  - XTR static envelope and centroid code
    - Includes Image Displacement Instability algorithm
  - LAMDA Time resolved envelope and centroid code
    - Includes Beam-Breakup (BBU), Ion-Hose and Resistive-Wall Instability algorithms
  - LSP-Slice PIC code
- Coasting-Beam Transport from LIA to Target
  - LAMDA Time resolved envelope and centroid
    - Includes Image Displacement Instability algorithm
  - LSP-Slice PIC code

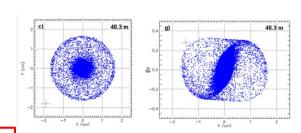
Our "go-to" codes for most experimental applications are XTR and LAMDA



XTR simulation of matched transport



**LAMDA** simulation of BBU growth



LSP PIC simulation of beam halo



#### How is it derived?

It all begins with the equation of motion for a single electron.

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = -e[\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}] \quad (SI)$$

- In an LIA, the fields can be external (due to gaps and magnets) as well as internal (due to space charge and beam current)
- Solve equations of motion with a few presuppositions:
  - Azimuthal symmetry (round beam)
  - External Bz, Ez uniform within beam

$$\mathbf{v}_{\perp} << \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{z}}$$

- Paraxial approximation, trajectory angles with axis are small,

Average and take moments. 
$$R_{rms}^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} r_i^2$$

- etc.
- For details see E. Lee and R. Cooper, Part. Accel. Vol 7,1976, pp. 83-95
- One more little approximation:
  - for relativistic beams  $v_7 = \beta c$  is almost constant, so  $d/dz \approx 1/\beta c \ d/dt$



### The equation derived from all of this is known as the "envelope equation."

$$\frac{d^{2}R_{env}}{dz^{2}} + \frac{1}{\beta^{2}\gamma}\frac{d\gamma}{dz}\frac{dR_{env}}{dz} + \left[\frac{1}{2\beta^{2}\gamma}\frac{d^{2}\gamma}{dz^{2}} + k_{\beta}^{2}\right]R_{env} = \frac{K}{R_{env}} + \frac{\varepsilon_{n}^{2} + (P_{\theta}/m_{e}c)^{2}}{(\beta\gamma)^{2}R_{env}^{3}}$$

$$R_{env} = \sqrt{2} R_{rms} \qquad \beta = v_z / c$$

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$$\gamma = 1 / \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}$$

$$KE = (\gamma - 1)m_{\rho}c^2$$

$$k_{\beta} = \frac{eB}{2\beta\gamma m_e c} = \frac{B_{kG}}{3.41\beta\gamma} \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

(betatron wavenumber)

$$K = \frac{2I_b}{\beta^2 I_A} \left[ (1 - f_e) - \beta^2 (1 - f_m) \right] = \frac{2I_b}{\beta^2 \gamma^2 I_A}$$

(generalized perveance)

$$I_A = \frac{4\pi}{\mu_0} \frac{m_e c}{e} \beta \gamma = 17.05 \text{kA} \beta \gamma$$

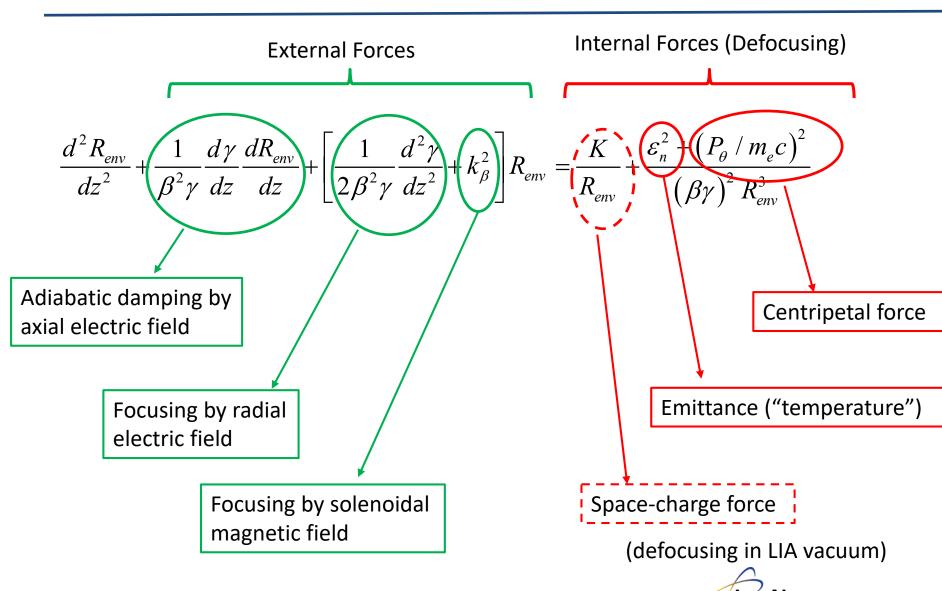
(Alfven limiting current)

$$P_{\theta} = \gamma m_{e} R_{env} \omega - e R_{env} A_{\theta}$$

(canonical angular momentum)



### The terms of the envelope equation have physical meaning.



# The space-charge term deserves its very own vugraph, because it can be either defocusing (in vacuum) or focusing (in gas or plasma).

• Internal space-charge forces are governed by the generalized perveance, which takes into account beam neutralization in a gas or plasma:

$$K = \frac{2I_b}{\beta^2 I_A} \left[ \left( 1 - f_e \right) - \beta^2 \left( 1 - f_m \right) \right]$$

- Neutralization of the beam space charge by background ions is quantified by the electrical neutralization factor  $f_e = N_i / N_e$
- Neutralization of the beam current by an induced return current is quantified by the magnetic neutralization factor  $f_m = I_r / I_b$
- In vacuum  $f_e = f_m = 0$  and the space-charge force is defocusing;

$$K = \frac{2I_b}{\beta^2 \gamma^2 I_A} = \frac{2I_{kA}}{17.05 \beta^3 \gamma^3}$$

• If  $f_m$ =0 in gas or plasma, then

$$K = \frac{2I_b}{\beta^2 I_A} \left[ \left( 1 - \beta^2 \right) - f_e \right] = \frac{2I_b}{\beta^2 I_A} \left[ \frac{1}{\gamma^2} - f_e \right]$$

• And if  $f_e > 1/\gamma^2$  the space-charge force switches to focusing. Known as Ion-Focused Regime (IFR)



# The emittance also deserves a page of its own, because of differing definitions.

• The emittance  $\varepsilon_n$  in this equation is the normalized Lapostolle emittance, sometimes called the "4-rms" emittance.

$$\varepsilon_{n} = 2\beta\gamma\sqrt{\langle r^{2}\rangle\left[\langle r'^{2}\rangle + \langle (v_{\theta}/\beta c)^{2}\rangle\right] - \langle rr'\rangle^{2} - \langle rv_{\theta}/\beta c\rangle^{2}}$$

For a rigidly rotating beam this reduces to the more familiar form

$$\varepsilon_n = 2\beta\gamma\sqrt{\langle r^2\rangle\langle r'^2\rangle - \langle rr'\rangle^2}$$

- The normalized emittance is invariant in the absence of nonlinear transverse forces.
  - Near the axis nonlinear external fields are small
  - For a uniform beam, the space-charge forces are linear
  - Therefore, for small uniform beams,  $\varepsilon_{\rm n}$  is very nearly invariant
- Since  $\langle r^2 \rangle = \langle x^2 + y^2 \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle + \langle y^2 \rangle = 2 \langle x^2 \rangle$ , etc, one has  $\varepsilon_n = 4\beta \gamma \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle \langle x'^2 \rangle \langle xx' \rangle^2}$



### Canonical angular momentum also deserves its own page.

- Canonical angular momentum is sum of mechanical and field momenta:  $P_{\theta}$  = ?
  - There is no mechanical angular momentum at the cathode
    - Angular velocity of emitted electrons averages out.
  - A bucking coil is used to null the field momentum at the cathode.
     ("shielded cathode")
    - Field momentum is proportional to flux linking the cathode, so one adjusts bucking for  $\Phi = \int B_z \, 2\pi r dr = 0$
    - =>  $P_{\theta}$  = 0 for shielded cathodes in our LIAs.
- Busch's theorem states that the canonical angular momentum is invariant in cylindrically symmetric magnetic fields,.
- In our LIAs, we can usually neglect the angular momentum term on the RHS of the envelope equation.
  - The beam rotates in the axial magnetic field to compensate for the field momentum, and the sum of the two is zero.



### **Summarizing:**

- Normalized emittance  $\varepsilon_n$  is invariant if transverse forces are linear in r.
  - Fringe fields of solenoids have radial components that are increasingly nonlinear away from axis
  - Design LIAs to have minimal fringe fields (e.g., long solenoids)
  - Design magnetic tunes for small matched beam size
- Canonical angular momentum is invariant in cylindrical symmetry and zero for shielded cathode. ... For minimum spot size at target:
  - Use solenoids for transport, not quads.
  - Design solenoids to have minimal multipole aberrations.
- In a well-designed LIA with optimal tune, the RHS of envelope equation depends on z only through R(z) and  $\beta \gamma(z)$



# The envelope equation can be simplified by eliminating the $R'_{env}$ term.

Transforming to  $r = (\beta \gamma)^{1/2} R_{env}$  will eliminate the first derivative term, and the transformed equation is

$$\frac{d^2r}{dz^2} + k_r^2 r = \frac{\beta \gamma K}{r} + \frac{\varepsilon_n^2}{r^3}$$

$$k_r^2 = k_e^2 + k_\beta^2$$

$$k_e = \frac{\gamma \gamma'}{4(\beta \gamma)^2} \qquad \left\{ \propto E(z) / \gamma \right\}$$

- This form is useful anywhere that there are axial and radial electric fields, e.g. in diode, through gap region, or near grounded target.
- For emittance dominated beam with  $k_r \approx$  constant, one has  $r \approx$  constant, and  $R_{env} \approx$  constant/  $(βγ)^{1/2}$ , which is called adiabatic damping.
- All transverse motion (e.g., BBU) is adiabatically damped by axial acceleration.



# The envelope equation is even simpler if the beam energy is constant. (This is commonly called a "coasting beam.")

Simplified envelope equation:

$$\frac{d^2R}{dz^2} + k_\beta^2 R = \frac{K}{R} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R^3}$$

$$R \equiv R_{env} = \sqrt{2} R_{rms}$$

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_n / \beta \gamma$$

- Useful in regions with no external electric fields, e. g. in between accelerating gaps, downstream transport, final focus, and simple physics models.
- Lends itself to rapid numerical solutions.

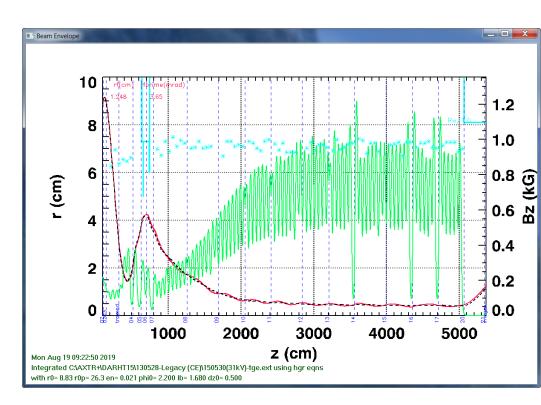
#### Our XTR and LAMDA envelope codes solve the simplified equation:

- Envelope equation is second order:
  - Numerically solve for variables R and R' = dR/dz with given initial conditions  $R_0$  and  $R_0'$
  - XTR solver: High resolution matrix optics
  - LAMDA solver: 4<sup>th</sup> order Runge-Kutta
- Ansatz for electric fields in an LIA:
  - Gaps are treated as thin lenses that
    - 1. Focus beam envelope
    - Add an increment of energy
- Include second order corrections for space charge and diamagnetism.
  - Space charge; at beam edge in pipe with radius b;  $e\Delta\phi\approx 60\ I_b$  ln(b/R)  $\sim 100$  200 keV
  - Diamagnetism; beam rotation increases  $B_z$  at edge;  $\Delta B/B \approx (R^2/b^2) I_b / 2I_0\beta\gamma < 1\%$
- XTR gives a time-independent solution
- LAMDA gives a time-resolved solution
  - Beam is segmented into disks
  - Disks don't communicate with neighbors (transverse dynamics dominate)
  - Envelope Equation solved for each disk



### Differences in second order corrections introduce slight differences in results for DARHT from XTR and LAMDA.

- XTR: Second order corrections for diamagnetism and space charge
  - "Beam dynamics equations for xtr,"
     Paul Allison, LA-UR-01-6585, 2001
- LAMDA: Second order corrections for diamagnetism, space charge, and R<sub>0</sub>'
  - "Improved envelope and centroid equations for high-current beams," Tom Genoni, Tom Hughes, and Carsten Thoma, Proc. 14<sup>th</sup> Beams Conf., 2002



DARHT-II nominal tune. Red: XTR; Black: LAMDA



# Comparison with other approaches to beam transport, e. g. Matrix Optics, or PIC simulations.

Matrix Optics: As in TRANSPORT code.

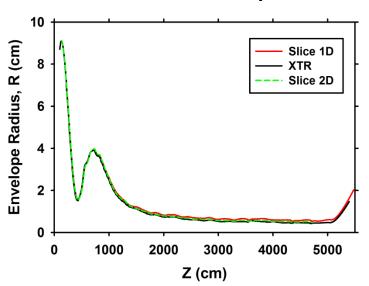
Envelope: As in LAMDA

PIC: Slice or Full 4-D

	Speed	External Forces	Internal Forces	R(z)	ε(z)	Transverse Density	Phase Space	Time Resolved
Matrix	fastest	Discrete	No	discrete	constant	moments	moments	no
Envelope	fast	Averaged	Moments	resolved	modeled	rms	ε = Α/π	yes
PIC	slowest	Mapped	Detailed	resolved	resolved	resolved	resolved	yes

### Envelope code results compare favorably with PIC and raytrace code results.

#### **DARHT-II code comparison**



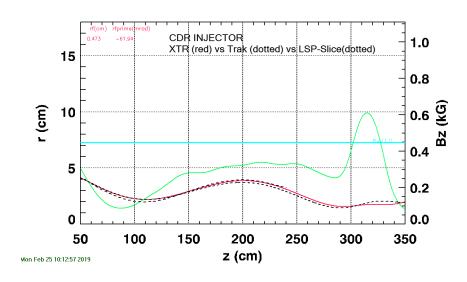
Comparison of envelope code (XTR) with PIC code (LSP).

**Red: PIC-Slice (LSP) in cylindrical coordinates** 

**Green: PIC-Slice (LSP) in cylindrical coordinates.** 

**Black: Envelope (XTR)** 

#### **Scorpius CDR Injector code comparison**



Comparison of envelope code (XTR) with PIC (LSP) and ray-trace (TRAK).

**Green: Solenoidal magnetic field on axis.** 

Cyan: Beam Tube.

Red: Beam envelope (XTR).

Dashed Black: Ray trace (TRAK).

Dashed Black to exit: PIC (LSP)



#### **HERE ARE A FEW APPLICATIONS:**

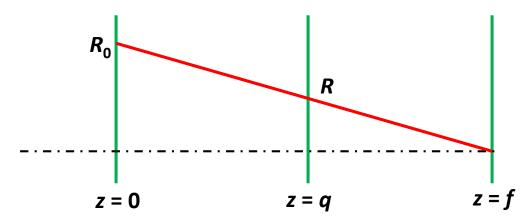
- Coasting and drifting beam ( $k_{\beta}$  = 0,  $\gamma$  = constant)
  - Emittance Dominated
  - Space charge dominated
- Coasting through magnetic field  $(k_{\beta} \neq 0, \gamma = \text{constant})$ 
  - Bz = constant
  - Bz = periodic
- Linear Induction Accelerator
  - Tuning
  - Measuring emittance with solenoid scan technique

# Simple Application: The envelope equation for a coasting beam can be used to find the size of an emittance-dominated beam on target.

• Envelope equation: 
$$\frac{d^2R}{dz^2} = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R^3}$$

Solution:

- $R^{2} = R_{0}^{2} + 2R_{0}R_{0}'z + (\varepsilon^{2}/R_{0}^{2} + R_{0}'^{2})z^{2}$
- Define  $f = -R_0/R_0'$
- Target location is at z = q,



Rearrange solution:

$$R^{2} = (1 - q / f)^{2} R_{0}^{2} + (\varepsilon q / R_{0})^{2}$$

### Another Example: The equation for a coasting beam can also be used to estimate the chromatic aberration of final focus solenoid

$$R^{2} = (1 - q / f)^{2} R_{0}^{2} + (\varepsilon q / R_{0})^{2}$$

- Smallest spot when f = q, giving  $R = \varepsilon q/R_0$
- Blur due to  $df/d\gamma$  can be estimated by finding R when  $\varepsilon = 0$
- $f \propto p^2$  for solenoids, where  $p = \beta \gamma m_e c$
- Differentiate  $R^2$  wrt  $\gamma$  using  $df/d\gamma = (df/dp)(dp/d\gamma) = 2\gamma$
- Result\*:  $dR = (q/f) 2R_0 d\gamma / \gamma$
- In particular, at focus, with q = f:  $dR = 2R_0 d\gamma / \gamma$ 
  - (Same result as the confusing "circle of least confusion" estimation)
- Blurred spot size at focus is

$$R^2 \approx 4R_0^2 \left( \frac{d\gamma}{\gamma} \right)^2 + \left( \varepsilon q / R_0 \right)^2$$

NB: The Result\* applies to any, and all, R(f), so it can be used to estimate uncertainty in a scan (obtained by varying f) due to beam energy spread and chromatic aberration of the final focus solenoid.



### Alternate derivation of chromatic aberration for an emittance dominated beam. Use moments of the distribution of energy variation, $\gamma => \gamma + \delta \gamma$ .

$$R^{2} = (1 - q/f)^{2} R_{0}^{2} + (\varepsilon q/R_{0})^{2}$$

$$f = f + \delta f_{i}$$

$$|\delta f_{i}| <<1, \quad \langle \delta f_{i} \rangle = 0$$

$$\delta f_{i} = \delta \gamma_{i} \frac{df}{d\gamma} = \delta \gamma_{i} \frac{df}{dp} \frac{dp}{d\gamma} = \delta \gamma_{i} \left(2 \frac{f}{p}\right) \left(\frac{\gamma}{p}\right) = 2f \frac{\delta \gamma_{i}}{\beta^{2} \gamma}$$

$$|\gamma_{i}| <<1, \quad \langle \gamma_{i} \rangle = 0$$

$$(1 - q/f)^{2} = \left(1 - \frac{q}{f + \delta f_{i}}\right)^{2} = \left(1 - \frac{q}{f}\left(1 - \frac{\delta f_{i}}{f} + \cdots\right)\right)^{2}$$

$$\approx (1 - q/f)^{2} - 2(1 - q/f) \frac{\delta f_{i}}{f} + \left(\frac{\delta f_{i}}{f}\right)^{2}$$

$$\langle R^{2} \rangle = \langle (1 - q/f)^{2} R_{0}^{2} + (\varepsilon q/R_{0})^{2} \rangle$$

$$= \langle (1 - q/f)^{2} R_{0}^{2} - 2(1 - q/f) \frac{1}{f} \langle \delta f_{i} \rangle R_{0}^{2} + \frac{1}{f^{2}} \langle \delta f_{i}^{2} \rangle R_{0}^{2} + (\varepsilon q/R_{0})^{2}$$

$$= R^{2} + \left(2 \frac{R_{0}}{\beta^{2} \gamma}\right)^{2} \langle \delta \gamma_{i}^{2} \rangle = R^{2} + \left(2 \frac{R_{0} \delta \gamma_{rms}}{\beta^{2} \gamma}\right)^{2}$$

$$\langle g_i^p \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N g_i^p$$

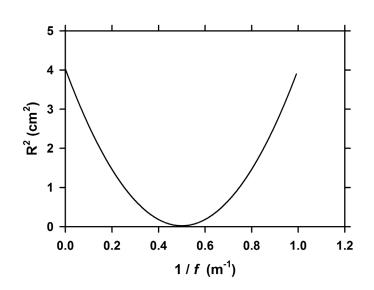


# Application: Focusing magnet scan of an emittance dominated beam (N.B. high current beams are not emittance dominated)

Solution:

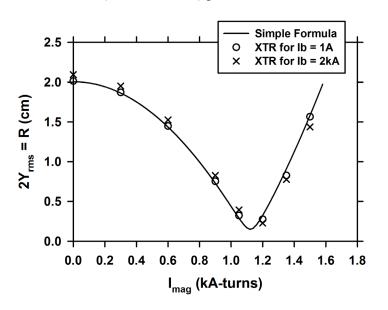
$$R^{2} = (1 - q / f)^{2} R_{0}^{2} + (\varepsilon q / R_{0})^{2}$$

- Thin lens:  $f \propto (\gamma / B)^2$
- Produces characteristic curves for a scan of focusing strength.



#### **Example**:

- KE = 20 MeV
- $I_b = 1A \text{ or } 2kA$
- $\varepsilon_n = 0.060$  cm-rad
- Solenoid:
  - $L_{\rm eff} = 10 \, {\rm cm}$
  - $R_{\rm eff} = 9.612 \, {\rm cm}$
  - (thin-lens) f = 2.517m @ 1.0 kA-turn





### **Application: Matched transport**

Consider a beam coasting through a uniform guide field:

$$\frac{d^2R}{dz^2} + k_{\beta}^2 R = \frac{K}{R} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R^3}$$

• Constant envelope radius => Matched transport;  $R \equiv R_m$ 

$$k_{\beta}^2 = \frac{K}{R_m^2} + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{R_m^4}$$

Solution:

$$R_m^2 = \frac{1}{2k_\beta^2} \left[ K + \sqrt{K^2 + 4k_\beta^2 \varepsilon^2} \right]$$

- Space Charge dominated:  $R_{\rm m} = K^{1/2} / k_{\beta}$ ; Scaling:  $(I_{\rm b}/\beta\gamma)^{1/2} / B$
- Emittance dominated:  $R_{\rm m} = (\varepsilon/k_{\rm B})^{1/2}$ ; Scaling:  $(\varepsilon_{\rm n}/B)^{1/2}$

### **Application: Stability of Envelope Oscillations in Periodic Focusing**

• Consider small perturbations on the envelope of a matched beam coasting through a periodic guide field,  $B = B_0[1 - \Delta \cos(2\pi z/L)]$ 

$$\frac{d^2 \delta R}{dz^2} + k^2 \delta R = 0$$

Can be transformed to Mathieu Equation by change of variable,

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{d\zeta^2} + (a - 2q\cos 2\zeta)\psi = 0$$

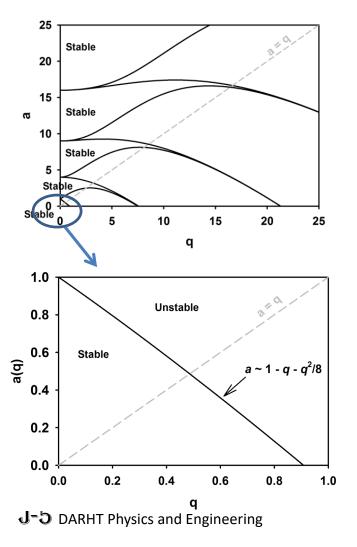
with

$$a = \left(\frac{k_0 L}{\pi}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2k_{\beta 0} L}{\pi}\right)^2 - 2\frac{K}{r_m^2} \left(\frac{L}{\pi}\right)^2$$
$$q = \left(\frac{2k_{\beta 0} L}{\pi}\right)^2 \frac{\delta B}{B_0}$$



### More: Stability of Envelope Oscillations in Periodic Focusing

Mathieu equation has well-known stability properties:



#### From envelope equation:

$$k_{\beta}L < \frac{\pi}{2} \left[ 1 + 2\frac{K}{r_m^2} \left( \frac{L}{\pi} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \left( 1 + \frac{\delta B}{B} \right)^{-1/2}$$

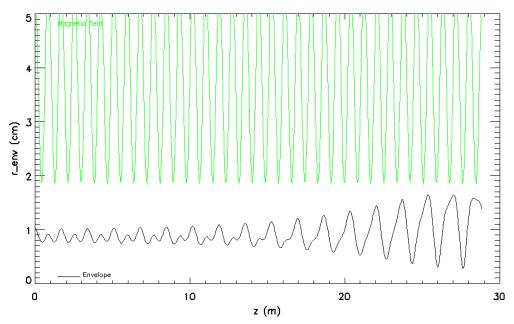
For DARHT-Like parameters, stability generally requires phase-advance/cell

$$k_{\beta} L < \pi / 2$$



# Even More: Envelope instability can be a problem for LIAs needing high magnetic fields to suppress BBU at low energy.

Scorpius-like parameters in low energy section:

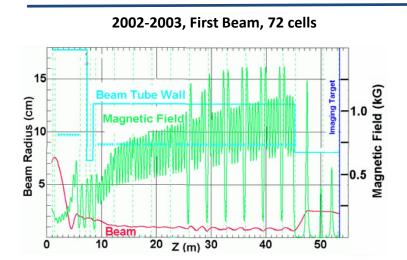


Full-envelope solution shown in black for periodic field shown in green.

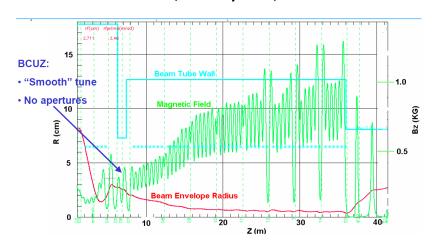
#### Parameters:

- *KE* = 4 MeV
- $I_{b} = 2 \text{ kA}$
- $\varepsilon_n = 600 \text{ mm-mr}$
- $B_{av} = 650 \text{ G}$
- $L_{cell} = 85 \text{ cm}$

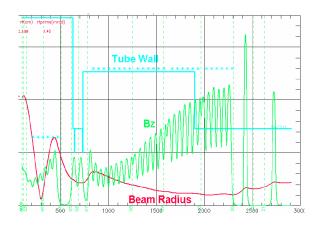
### Application: XTR has been used to design all of the tunes for the DARHT LIAs for 20 years. DARHT-II was tuned and retuned for 4 different configurations.



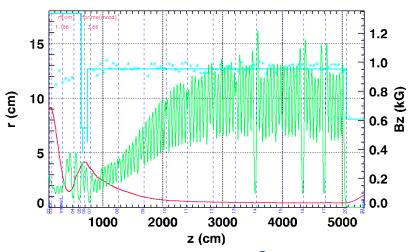
2005, Stability Tests, 56 cells



2006-2007, Scaled Accelerator, 32 cells



2007-Present, Final Configuration, 74 cells

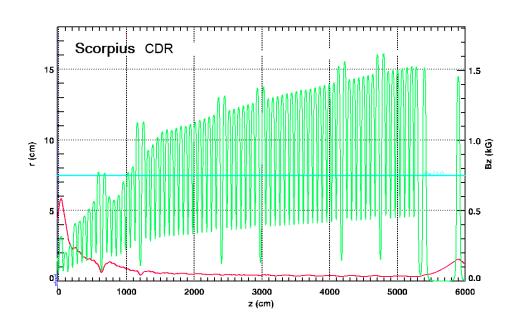




## Application: XTR and LAMDA have been used to design tunes for new accelerators like ARIA and Scorpius.

### A Magnetic Transport Tune for the Scorpius Conceptual Design Report (CDR)

- The first cellblocks were used to focus the beam down to a small size to prevent emittance growth from accumulated spherical aberration of solenoids.
- The magnetic field in the first cell block is high enough to prevent the Image Displacement Instability (IDI).
- Magnetic field is high enough to suppress
   BBU, but without excessive magnet heating.
- Magnetic field increases approximately as  $\sqrt{\gamma \gamma_0}$  to minimize phase advance in order to reduce corkscrew motion.



#### **Initial beam parameters:**

Injected Energy, KE<sub>0</sub> = 3

Beam Current,

Initial envelope radius,

. . . . . .

Initial divergence,

Normalized emittance,

 $KE_0 = 2.0 \text{ MeV}$ 

 $I_{b} = 2.0 \text{ kA}$ 

 $r_0 = 4.95 \text{ cm}$ 

 $r_0' = 42 \text{ mr}$ 

 $\varepsilon_{\rm n}$  = 305 mm-mr



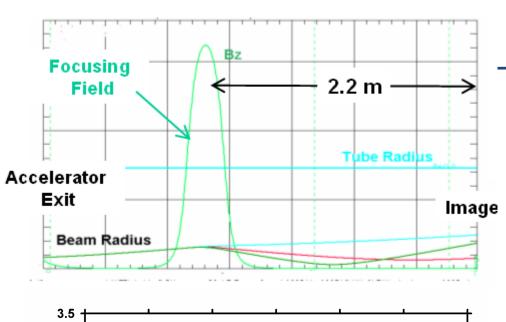
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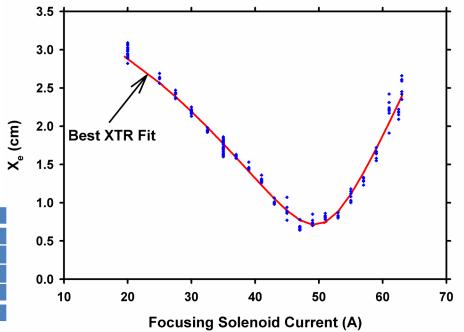
### Proper experimental design of scan measurement to minimize uncertainty:

- Distance between focusing element and target must be great enough that target is not damaged at minimum size.
- Focusing element must have enough strength to generate complete curve.
- Need lots of data for statistically significant fit
  - Imaging should collect lots of data => streak camera
  - Only need single view (Vertical), because
     2y<sub>rms</sub> = R<sub>env</sub>
  - Anamorphic optics (slitless) simplifies alignment

#### **DARHT-II 8-MeV Scaled LIA**

Parameter	Value	Uncertainty		
Energy	8.0 MeV	± 0.5% absolute		
Current	0.9 to 1.1 kA	± 2%		
Envelope size	0.8 cm	± 3%		
Envelope divergence	3.2 mrad	± 16%		
Emittance (normalized)	617 p(mm-mrad)	± 10%		





# Application: Beam propagation through plasma/gas; The time-resolved SCRAPE code was used for IFR propagation

### Beam modelling

- Time resolved, non interacting disks
- Gaussian radial density profile
- Energy lost in propagation
- Electrical neutralization by channel ions
- Magnetic neutralization by channel return current

### Channel modeling

- Stationary
- Gaussian radial density profile
- Axial gradients in density at entrance and exit

### Emittance modeling included

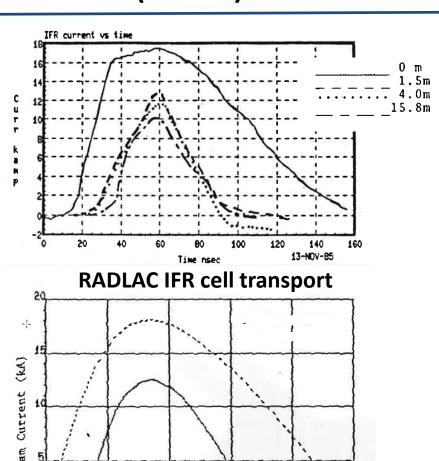
- Entrance foil scattering
- Non-zero canonical angular momentum (immersed cathode)
- Phase-mix damping



# Comparison of SCRAPE with experimental data from RADLAC ion focused transport (IFT) from LIA to back door (~ 16 m).

#### **RADLAC-II Experiment at Sandia:**

- LIA: 18 kA, 20 MeV, 20 ns
- ~16-m long tube
- 10 100 uTorr argon gas
- Ion channel generated by tail-light bulb filaments, and confined by <50 G axial field
- Gaussian ion channel, FWHM ~ 1.6 cm, peak density ~ 1E12/cc
- Also simulations matched measured growth of rms beam radius from 0.8 cm at injection to ~5 cm at exit.

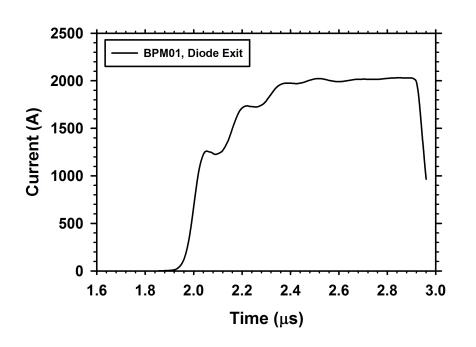


SCRAPE simulation

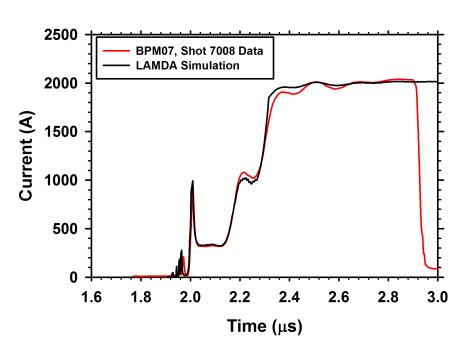


# Application: Time-resolved LAMDA simulations for predicting transport through DARHT-II BCUZ with different apertures installed.

#### Beam current at exit of diode



#### Beam current at exit of BCUZ



This LAMDA simulation used measured current and voltage waveforms, actual beam tube and aperture geometry, and magnetic fields for the tune.

# <u>Conclusion</u>: The envelope equation is a very useful tool for predicting high-current relativistic electron-beam behavior.

- The equation illuminates fundamental beam dynamics
  - Stable and unstable beam envelope osccillations
- Practical problems can be solved using the equation
  - Chromatic aberrations of solenoids
  - Space-charge limited transport in drift sections
  - Transport in gases
  - etc., etc.
- "Everyday" use at DARHT includes
  - Design of tunes
  - Prediction of off-normal beam behavior
    - E. g. beam spill due to failed magnets
  - Design of experiments
  - Interpretation of solenoid scan data

